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1. POST PLANNING SYMPOSIUM JUNE FOURTH ENTITLED QUOTE CONFLICT AND CHANGE IN MODERN SOCIETY: THE AMERICAN EXPERIENCE UNQTE FOR THIRTY TO FORTY MID-CAREER LEVEL PROFESSIONALS FROM ACADEMIA, MEDIA, AND GOVERNMENT SECTOR. MAIN THRUST OF PROGRAM, IN ADDITION TO DEMONSTRATING FUNDAMENTAL VIABILITY OF AMERICAN SYSTEM, WILL ATTEMPT TO MITIGATE MORE SENSATIONAL ASPECTS OF AMERICA COMING THROUGH MALAYSIAN PRESS, AND PLACE OUR RECENT DOMESTIC DEVELOPMENTS WITHIN CONTEXT OF A DYNAMIC AND PROGRESSIVE SOCIETY FORTHRIGHTLY DEALING WITH MOST BASIC CONCEPTS OF DEMOCRACY. IMPORTANT THEME SUBSTANTIATING THIS INTERPRETATION WILL BE DIFFUSION OF POLITICAL AND SOCIAL POWER IN US AND READY ACCESS MANY INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS HAVE TO MECHANISMS OF POWER -- THROUGH INTEREST GROUPS, MEDIA, POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS (CONCOMITANTLY, THE APPARENT RENASCENCE OF LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF GOVT) DIRECT CITIZEN ACTION, ETC.

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2. AS MUCH AS TWO CAN BE SEPARATED, WE INTEND TO DIVIDE

PROGRAM INTO POLITICAL AND SOCIAL COMPONENTS WITH LUNCHEON IN BETWEEN. KEEPING GUIDELINES EXPRESSED IN PARA ONE IN MIND, AND UNDER UMBRELLA OF JAKARTA'S THEME, (REFTEL C), QUOTE THE PRESIDENCY, THE CONGRESS, AND THE MEDIA UNQUOTE WHICH WE WOULD LIKE TO USE AS TITLE FOR HIS LECTURE, PADOVER IS GIVEN WIDE LEEWAY IN DELIVEREANCE OF HIS REMARKS.

3. MANN REQUESTED TO COVER SOCIAL COMPONENT OF PROGRAM, SPECIFICALLY, HARMONIZATION OF DIVERSE ETHNIC GROUPS AND, PERHAPS, STRESS UPON QUOTE CIVIC CULTURE UNQTE ARTICULATED BY MANN IN WIRELESS FILE PROFILE; AND BASIC CONCEPT THAT INSPITE OF RACIAL PROBLEMS AMERICAN SOCIETY STILL EXPERIENCING, MOST ETHNIC MINORITIES WANT TO BE DEALT INTO, RATHER THAN OUT OF, THE SYSTEM.

4. INTEND TO UTILIZE MANN AND PADOVER INDIVIDUALLY JUNE THIRD; MANN WITH MINISTRY OF NATIONAL UNITY IN DISCUSSION WITH OFFICERS ON AMERICAN RACIAL SITUATION, AND PADOVER IN PUBLIC LECTURE AT OUR CENTER ON HIS THEME OF THE EXPLOSIVE SOCIETY.

5. APPRECIATE OBTAINING MANN AND PADOVER CONCURRENCE OR OBJECTIONS TO PROGRAM OUTLINE ASAP. MANY DETIALS OF PROGRAM CHOREOGRAPHY REMAIN AND SOONER WE HAVE MAIN SUBSTANCE AGREED UPON THE BETTER. INTEND TO SPONSOR PROGRAM JOINTLY WITH FULBRIGHT COMMISSION AT HILTON HOTEL AND HOPE TO HAVE MALAYSIAN CHAIRMAN AND PANELISTS TO RESPOND TO MANN/PADOVER PAPERS. ANTICIPATE APPROXIMATELY AN HOUR FOR EACH FORMAL LECTURE PRESENTATION.

6. REEMPHASIZE NEED FOR PGRAM SUPPORT MATERIALS INCLUDING VIDEO TAPE, PHOTOS OF EACH SPEAKER, ETC, AND FLIGHT DATA ASAP. UNDERHILL

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